# Missouri Ethics Commission Election Packets

2022

For additional copies of forms and flyers in the 2022 Election Packets, please follow the links to print from our website.

- Instructions for political subdivisions with an annual operating budget (AOB) over \$1 million (see below)
- Financial Disclosure Statement for Political Subdivisions (short form)
- Personal Financial Disclosure Statement (long form)
- Personal Financial Disclosure Filing Calendar
- Notice to Candidates
- Register for Candidate Training Flyer
- Plain English Guide to Ethics Law
- Paid For By brochure
- When to Form and Register a Committee brochure



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#### Dear Election Official:

Enclosed, please find **Candidate Election Packet** handouts along with an **Election Official Checklist** (on back) for the upcoming 2022 elections. Please review both upon receipt and discard any remaining documents you may have from previous years' election packets. Contact our office if you have any questions, concerns, or need additional copies.

Our records indicate that your Annual Operating Budget (AOB) was reported as being \$1 million or over; therefore, you are required to complete a *Notice to Candidate* form for each candidate. We strongly recommend that you give the candidate a copy of their completed form. You must retain the original completed form in your election files. Once the filing period has ended, you must notify us within 48 hours whether or not you have any candidates that are required to file a Personal Financial Disclosure (PFD) Statement. If so, you must provide additional information for each. You may file this information electronically by logging into the Political Subdivision Filing System or by sending a completed *Candidate List* form (found on our website) to our office.

Read below for further instructions and required actions. If you are not the election official, please forward this information, including enclosures, to the appropriate person. Thank you.

#### Instructions for Notice to Candidate Form

Part One: Candidate Information

Part Two: Filing Status

Complete Option A or Option B.

- If select Option B, complete both Sections 1 & 2.
- For Section 2, insert the 14-day and 21-day after close of filing deadlines specific to the election.

NOTE: Municipal judge candidates

(if required by subdivision) file

with the MEC

 If candidate is required to file a PFD, give candidate the appropriate blank PFD form (including instructions to e-file)

Part Three: Acknowledgement

- Give each candidate a Guide to Ethics Laws 2022 Plain English Summary.
- Have candidate print their name, initial, sign, and date the Notice to Candidate form in the presence of
  election official who must also sign as witness (email address is optional but preferred to send
  communications).
- Give candidate a copy of the completed Notice to Candidate form and retain original in your election files.
   Do not return a copy to the MEC. (In the event it becomes necessary to disqualify a candidate for failure to file a PFD as required by law, the court may require the election authority to produce the original signed Notice to Candidate form)

#### Candidate List form

Within 48 hours of the closing date of filing, indicate electronically whether **you do** or **do not have** candidates required to file a PFD. For candidates required to file, submit their name, position, and mailing address (email address is optional but helpful if we need to contact candidate).

E-file Instructions:

- Go to our website, <u>www.mec.mo.gov</u>, and under Login (located at the top right) enter your Subdivision ID (beginning with the letter "S" followed by numbers) and click Sign In.
- On the next page, enter your password, then click Log-In.
- 3. Update subdivision contact information (if necessary).
- Select "Candidate List" button and follow instructions on the screen.

NOTE: If you are unable to submit the candidate list electronically, file on paper by completing the form on our website and either mailing, faxing, or hand-delivering the completed form to the MEC.

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## **Election Official Checklist**

AOB over \$1 million

	When	Action Required	Done
	Upon	Review Election Official letter for instructions and the Candidate	
	receipt	Election Packets for the following:	
$\circ$		Required to be given to candidate:	
$\sim$		Guide to Ethics Laws	
		Notice to Candidate	
		Personal Financial Disclosure form with instructions for e-filing	
		Additional resources included for informational purposes:  Paid for By Requirements Brochure (Campaign Material Identification)	
		When to Form and Register a Committee Brochure  When to Form and Register a Committee Brochure	
		Training Flyer	
		MoDOT Flyer	
		Direct Form 5120 questions to the Department of Revenue	
	Prior to	IF your subdivision has an ordinance filed with the MEC, you must:	
	opening	review the ordinance and be familiar with its provisions, including:	
	date for	Are candidates required to file PFD?	
	candidate	Are candidates only required to file a PFD if they have had a business	
	filing	transaction?  Are penalties outlined in the ordinance for non-filers?	
		Are penalties outlined in the ordinance for non-mers:	
	During	For each candidate declaring their candidacy with your office,	
	candidate	<b>provide</b> him or her with a Candidate Election Packet.	
	filing		
		In addition, you must complete the <i>Notice to Candidate</i> form	
		with the candidate. Check the appropriate box on the form that	
		identifies which PFD form the candidate must file. Retain the	
		original form in your election file and give a copy to the	
		<u>candidate</u> . (See instructions on reverse side.)	
		NOTE: The election authority is responsible for inserting the PFD due dates on the Notice to  Candidate forms. Check the PFD calendar provided in this packet, in the Guide to Ethics Laws 2022,	
		or on our website for the correct due dates.	
	After	Within 48 hours, <b>notify</b> the MEC whether or not you have any	
	closing	candidates required to file a PFD; if yes, then additional	
	date for	information for each candidate must be provided. (See instructions on	
	candidate	reverse side.)	
	filing	Taraka yaya filozo ta maka ayaa thay ana ada a ada a ada filozofa filozofa	
		Track your filers to make sure they properly and timely file their	
		PFD by logging in to the Political Subdivision E-filing System and	
		selecting "Candidate List" to view filers' information.	

### Need help?

Contact the MEC at 1-800-392-8660 or via email at pfdonline@mec.mo.gov